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PACKED TO BE STOLEN.

Old Man Had Fixed Up for Thieves
and Had Repose Coming.

At midnight the other night I got a
dig in the ribs and woke up to hear
Mary saying:

"Husband, get up at once or we
shall have our throats cut."

"Have you discovered anyone in
the room with a butcher knife?" I
asked.

"No; but there's an awful racket in
the back yard."

"Well?"

"Well, who knows who is around
and what they are stealing? Get
right up and let 'em know you are at
home."

"My dear woman, let's look at this
thing from the other point of view.
No person in our back yard is up here
in our bedroom. Consequently, our
throats are safe. It is a well known
fact that I am always home o' nights,
and no one will figure that this night
is an exception. As to the identity of
the marauders, what is it to us
whether they are named Smith or
Jones?"

"But do you want to be robbed?"
persisted my good wife.

"I do not. No man does. I hear a
barrel being softly rolled over the
snow. That barrel contains a dead cat
and a lot of old shoes and rubbers. I
headed it up this afternoon and left
it to be stolen. If not stolen it will
cost me 15 cents to have it carted
away. Mary, seek thy revenge. We
have saved 15 cents in cold cash, the
thief has worked up a surprise party
on himself, and there is yet time to
indulge in our full amount of sleep
and wake up in the morning and be
kind. We are living."—Washington
Post.

GREATEST OF ALL LAWYERS.

Men of Eminence Award Palm to Ben-
jamin Harrison.

A group of lawyers were discussing
various legal questions in the lobby
of the Elkhorn hotel at Washington.
The conversation had turned upon
the big men of the legal profession.

"I am of the same opinion as the
clerk of one of the circuit courts of
Ohio," said A. H. Petty, of Urbana.
"We had been talking of various law-
yers who had made national reputa-
tions, and in that particular circuit
many famous men had practiced be-
fore the courts. The clerk, who had
had long experience and was a man of
keen observation, asked me whom I re-
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ever heard speak. I could not then call
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of any lawyer in the last 30 years in
my opinion, and many others with
whom I have talked are of the same
belief."—Washington Post.

A Cigar Store Secret.

Every tobacconist has on his coun-
ter a machine for cutting off the ends
of cigars. These machines are popular
for the reason that they pay for
themselves many times over every
year.

The ends that smokers cut off are
carefully gathered from the counter,
and it takes but a few hundred of
them to make a pound of good tobacco.
This can be sold for 40 or 50
cents.

Some cigar store clerks are very
sollicitous to see that the patron does
not overlook the cutting machine.
They push it towards him, and he is
impressed with their politeness. These
clerks have for a requisite the ma-
chine's cuttings. This adds several
dollars weekly to their salaries.

Few Good Stories Written.

"Since the world began," says
Julian Hawthorne, "there have been
written perhaps 100 supremely good
works of fiction. Assume that the
first of these was the Iliad, now about
3,000 years old. One hundred good
stories in 3,000 years is a story every
generation. Since the battle of Waterloo,
then, there have been rather
less than three of them. Probably
we are overrating the number rather
than the merit. When you consider
the matter, three supremely good
stories in a hundred years is a very
high average."

An Infraction.

The Study club was reading about
Constantine, and had come to the cir-
cumstance of his having a thousand
cooks.

"Will Mrs. Ultry-Mural," said the
leader of the day, "kindly tell us what
she infers from this?"

"Why," replied Mrs. Ultry-Mural,
"it would seem that the emperor must
have lived in a very remote suburb,
or else he didn't possess the despotic
power we have sometimes supposed."
—Puck.

Disgrace to the Profession.

Wareham Long—I ain't arkin' fur
somethin' to eat, mister. I'm tryin'
to raise a little money so I can git
out o' this town. I need a change of
air."

Felaille (formerly Rusty Rufus)—
You do, you rymy old fraud, but you
need a change of shirts a thundering
night worse. Here's a dollar and a
kick, to assist you in effecting both
of those changes. Have the goodness
to move on.

SCARS IN THE EAR....

READING WITH A PURPOSE.

The Bible the Best of All Books for
Culture.

"They oughter start labor unions in
the Sahara desert," said the sailor.
"You work 21 hours a day there.
That's too long, ain't it?"

"It's the fashionable fad to winter in
the Sahara, and last January, us lyin'
to in Philippenville for a cargo of
dates, I bought a third class ticket to
Elkra, and pushed from there to
Touggourt with a camel caravan."

"It was fine. The sun shone, the air
was like wine, the sand was as white
as salt. We seen mirages—phantom
cities, with domes and minarets,
palm gardens, and girls walkin' on
the flat roofs of the white houses, lookin'
at you with dark, wistful eyes.

"We had a cargo of beer for the
French soldiers in Touggourt, Ghara-
dais, Ouargla, and the neighborin'
towns."

"But what I wanted to speak about
was the hours of the caravaneers.
Them poor fellers worked 21 hours
a day. One stop of three hours was
all they took, and part of that time had
to be spent in feedin' and grooin'
the camels."

"Camels can get along, it seems, with
three hours rest a day, but men! Them
caravaneers of ours had little donks,
the size of a Newfoundland dog, to ride on,
and they'd lie on their stomachs across a donk's back, head
hangin' down on one side, feet on the
other, and in that position they could
sleep hour after hour whilst the donks
trudged on in the sunshine through
the white sand."

HAD THE LAUGH ON LAWYER.

Whole Court Room Joined in Joke on
Conceited Advocate.

A distinguished, but conceited advo-
cate not long ago, after securing an
unusually statement from an octogenarian,
who was bravely enduring
the heat of the sun, said to the
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WRECK OF A FORGOTTEN SHIP.

Has Lain for Years in Harbor of Port
Philip, Australia.

A mystery of Port Phillip, Australia,
has just been solved. For many years
shipmasters and port authorities were
perplexed by the fact that while the
anchorage in Port Phillip bay had a
good bottom, a ship could not cast
anchor in a certain place without the
anchor becoming fouled with something
so tenacious that no amount of
winch power could again bring it to
the surface.

Recently an experienced diver was
sent down to investigate the matter,
and on his return he stated that he
had found the remains of a clipper ship
200 feet long. He was unable to climb
into her and examine the inside of the
hull, because it had been turned into a
sort of vast forcing frame, from
which seaweed had grown to a height
of 50 feet, like a gigantic submarine
cornfield.

There are no records of any wreck
in the vicinity, but it is supposed that
the vessel was one arriving in Port
Phillip during the earlier days of gold
discovery. The hull is to be torn
away with dynamite, and when the
growth of seaweed is removed the
interior is to be examined.

Tommy Won.

At a child's party lately one boy
created quite a sensation in his efforts
to outdo the others. They were play-
ing "Button, button, who's got the but-
ton?" and presently, after a very con-
cusing hunt, the mother of the little
littles said:

"No one seems to have the button.
Now, who had it at the beginning of
the game?"

"I did!" exclaimed a little girl.

"To whom did you give it?" asked
he lady.

"Tommy Jones, ma'am."

"Tommy, to whom did you give it?"

"Sister."

"Speak up, Tommy."

"I—swallowed it!" gasped Tom-
my."

"'Evy!" said the lady, "how big
as it?"

"Well," answered Tommy, "when
I gave it to me it was about as
big as a pea, but it feels as big as an
egg, ma'am, and I'm sorry I won the
game!"

Female Doctors in Germany.

Profes von Neumann—the great
German scientist—said to a per-
son in Germany:

"Well, I'm a doctor."

"I am doubtless a doctor," said
the professor.

"I am



If possible it is better to keep cows in a building by themselves without overhead or a cellar underneath.

There are so many little details to dairying that constant reading is necessary to keep posted. Even if you know you are liable to forget.

Dusty or musty feed or litter in the dairy stable is liable to work trouble at any time. The dust from such trash carries great quantities of bacteria.

An expensive ram is not always a profitable one, but this does not mean that we should invest in what undeniably appears to be an inferior one.

High farming consists of attempting to raise the largest possible product on the whole farm. Good farming is to raise products at the greatest possible profit.

Stables should be as clean and simple as possible, both inside and out. There should be no lodgment for dust and no place where stagnant water can remain.

Through cleanliness all along the line is absolutely necessary to produce a really fine dairy article of either milk, cream, butter or cheese. Bad flavors come from dirt.

The first permanent settlers of a new country are known in the West as "tender-feet." The first pioneers get into cuts and are pushed out by the enterprising newcomer. This is the history of all new countries.

It should be unnecessary to caution farmers against leaving manure in heaps in the field, especially when wintry weather may prevent its spreading. It is far safer to spread it from a wagon, using a manure spreader.

If there is a wet patch on the farm which is so situated that it cannot be conveniently drained, willows may be planted there to advantage, not only providing shade for the farm animals in case it happens to be in the pasture, but a limited supply of summer wood. Anything that can be raised on such low places is a clear gain.

Many a person carries on his business year after year without realizing the advantage there is in advertising. If you have a few pure-bred chickens, rogs, cattle, horses, corn or anything else produced on the farm that is in demand, you would be surprised how it would increase your market and your profits to advertise in your home paper.

On many of the large wheat farms of the northwest steam and gasoline traction engines have almost entirely replaced the horse in plowing, harvesting and threshing operations. Engines of the latter type, because they make possible a dispensing with water and fuel wagons, are particularly adapted to conditions prevailing in the territory referred to.

The Angora goat industry in this country is assuming no mean proportions. According to the Department of Agriculture there are now about one million Angoras distributed throughout the States and territories, the largest herds being in Texas and New Mexico. While these goats are useful as land clearers, their chief value lies in the fleece, which is used in the manufacture of mohair.

A bulletin from the Department of Agriculture discusses the injurious effect of cottonseed meal when fed to hogs. According to this bulletin hogs die with "severe hemorrhagic gastritis, congestion of the liver with parenchymatous degeneration, edema of the lungs, cloudy swelling of the kidneys, and oftentimes a well-marked droptical effusion of the pectoral and peritoneal cavities, and occasionally in the pericardial sac." It is little wonder that they died.

A granger taking a whirr on the board of trade stands about the same chance of winning out that the fellow does who bucks the wheel of fortune at the county fair, the prospect being good in either case that the one who indulges will get skinned. The first institution is maintained for the purpose of picking the lambs, the second for taking in the suckers, neither being operated for benevolent purposes. There are nine chances to one that if a fellow makes good on a corn deal he will get caught short on pork. Raising hogs for market is therefore a better proposition all around than speculating with the carcass or by-products on 'change.

Foods That Taint Milk.
The feed should be good and free from aromatic substances. If these aromatic foods are used they should be employed according to those methods which will not cause odors or flavor in the milk.

Meats by Weight.
The time will probably come when eggs as well as poultry will be sold by weight. But the fact that in actual practice the users of eggs make their estimates by number and not by weight, makes this change less imperative than the change in the case of poultry. Still it is hardly fair to sell a dozen Moulard or Brahma eggs weighing 30 ounces or more for the same price as an equal number of Leghorn eggs that weigh less than 24 ounces. Already the buyer will show a preference for the larger eggs.

NO POSTAL REVISION.
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The features of the report of the special point commission, headed by Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, which were embodied in its proposed bill to reform the classification of second-class mail matter, and to which vigorous protests have been voiced from all parts of the country, were those providing virtually for a government press censorship. As soon as the astounding report of the postal commission, prepared with great secrecy, was given publicity, it raised a storm of disapproval throughout the country. Not only publishers sat up and took notice, but the public itself began to be heard from in no uncertain tones. The restriction of the liberty of the press by lowering its standard, it was shown, is something for which the country will not stand, whether it be attempted under the guise of postal reform or by more direct methods.

A cable dispatch referring to Mr. Bryce as a mountain climber says he first made the ascent of Mount Ararat. But Noah got there first by an easier route—New York Globe.

Wheat Bran.
Writing of wheat bran, J. B. Lind, secretary of the Massachusetts experiment station, says: Until within comparatively recent times, wheat bran and corn have formed the two staple concentrated feeds for dairy stock, and in spite of the large variety of concentrates now in the market, the former still continues to be used largely by the great majority of dairymen in our Eastern States. The reasons for this are not difficult to find. A good quality of bran is uniformly palatable; it can be fed in considerable quantities without producing any ill effects; it acts as a slight laxative; it furnishes more digestible protein than corn, and it serves as a very satisfactory diluter or distributor of the heavy concentrates, such as the glutinous cotton seed meal and flour middlings.

A Good White Wash.

Half a bushel of lime is slacked with boiled water, being covered during the process to keep in the steam. The liquid is strained through a fine sieve and to it are added a bag of salt, previously dissolved in warm water, three pounds of rice boiled to a thin paste and stirred while hot, half a pound of whiting and one pound of clear glue which has been dissolved by soaking in cold water and hanging over a slow fire in a small pot inside a larger one filled with water.

Five gallons of hot water are added to the mixture, which is stirred well and allowed to stand covered a few days. This whitewash should be applied hot, for which purpose it can be kept in a kettle or portable furnace.

A pint of the mixture will cover one square yard. It is much cheaper than paint and is almost as serviceable as paint for wood, brick or stone.

Potato Scab and Its Cure.

Potatoes pitted with holes and roughened on the skin are afflicted with a minute fungus, resulting in what is known as the potato scab. These little parasites reproduce themselves just as the higher plants do. They can increase by division of the little plant itself, or by spores which, with them, act as seeds in higher organisms. Many seeds in higher organisms.

The service is being conducted at a loss, business methods are in vogue which would not be countenanced for a minute by any private enterprise, bookkeeping is severely at fault, and, generally speaking, matters are run in a manner that makes it impossible to tell from the records at hand just where the fault lies and where reform should take hold. The simple fact is that the service, with the addition of rural free delivery and other extensions, has developed so fast that the administration of the business has been unable to keep pace with it.

There is a widespread belief that the high total cost of the postal service results, in some degree at least, from what is regarded as overpayment to the railways for mail transportation. Much of the controversy as to a proper charge for second-class matter has raged around the question of railway mail pay. Accordingly a reduction of mail pay upon dense routes, where the great volume of second-class matter permits economies in transportation, has been provided for in the postoffice appropriation bill, as well as the elimination of return empty bags from the computation of weight. This will result in a saving of several millions of dollars a year.

Armor for Deep-Sea Diving.

A French engineer named De Pluy has invented a deep-sea diving armor, having a thickness varying from 2-10ths to 2-10ths of an inch. The joints and couplings are made of pressed leather and rubber, and on the top of the armor is fixed a helmet. The air is not brought to the diver from above, as usual, but is sent by a tube into a special regenerating chamber, containing certain chemical products, which renew the supply of oxygen. The air is then sent to the interior of the helmet by another tube. This apparatus is contained in a pair of chambers attached to each side of the helmet and valves keep the pressure at the right amount, no matter what the depth of the diver. The diver communicates with the surface by a telephone, and wires connected with colored lamps show how the different parts are working. De Pluy, with this apparatus, has reached depths varying from 150 to 300 feet, which is far below the limit of the ordinary diver.

Sparks from the Wires.

Gerret Vanwinkle was found guilty of the murder of his sister-in-law, the motive being to collect insurance money, at Sterling, Colo.

J. B. Canan and his wife were probably fatally injured in a natural gas explosion, which wrecked their house at Canton township, near Pittsburgh.

James H. Beatty, for sixteen years judge of the United States District Court at Boise, Idaho, announced that he had tendered his resignation to President Roosevelt.

The beheaded body of Casper Kubick of Jersey City, N. J., was found on the tracks of the Pittsburgh and Western railroad in Allegheny, Pa.

Detectors Dorsey and Schaeffer of Cleveland arrested Louis Boydell and wife at Chicago Junction, Ohio, on suspicion of having something to do with murder of Shadrak Westbrook at Cardington in March, 1911.

The international photographic exhibit which has been hung in former years in the Carnegie Institute at Pittsburgh, will not be exhibited there this year, the trustees having refused the management room in which to hang its pictures.

A statistician estimates that the money given away yearly in tips in France amounts to nearly \$60,000,000, over \$20,000,000 being bestowed in Paris alone.

Political Comment.

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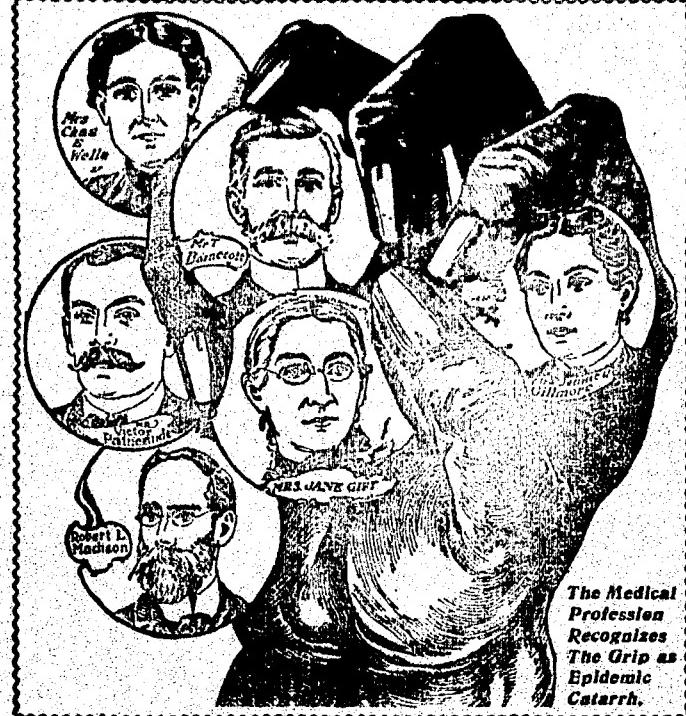
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The Medical
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Effective Medicine for La Grippe.
Robert L. Madison, A. M., Principal of Culver-High School, Painter, N. C., writes: "Peruna is the most effective medicine that I have ever tried for la grippe. It also cured my wife of nasal catarrh. Her condition at one time was such that she could not at night breathe through her nostrils."

La Grippe and Systemic Catarrh.

Mrs. Jennie W. Gilmore, Box 44, White Oak, Ind. Ter., writes:

"Six years ago I had la grippe, followed by systemic catarrh. The only thing I used was Peruna and Mannan, and I have been in better health the last three years than for years before."

Mrs. Jane Gift, Athens, Ohio, writes:

"Six years ago I had la grippe very bad. My husband bought me a bottle of Peruna. I was soon able to do my work."

Suffered Twelve Years From After Effects of La Grippe.

Mr. Victor Patenaude, 223 Madison St., Topeka, Kan., writes:

"Twelve years ago I had a severe attack of la grippe and I never really recovered my health until two years ago. I began to feel fatigued and it took up my strength so that in a couple of months I was able to go to work again."

Pneumonia Followed La Grippe.

Mr. T. Barneecott, West Aylmer, Ontario, Can., writes:

"Last winter I was ill with pneumonia after having in grippe. I took Peruna for two months, when I became quite well."

Peruna—A Tonic After a Grippe.

Mrs. Chas. E. Wells, Sr., Delaware, Ohio, writes: "After a severe attack of la grippe, I took Peruna and found it a very good tonic."

Bobby's Joke.

"Pap," said Bobby, as he leaned over the deck rail, "what kind of a boat is that out on the lake?"

"That," replied pap, as he raised his glass, "is a sister ship to the one we are on."

Bobby watched the big funnels for a while, and then said:

"Pap, I think that must be a brother ship."

"Why so, my son?"

"Because it smokes so much."—New Orleans Picayune.

All a Mistake.

With questions each new hour is rich.

No wonder statesmen fret.

The world is full of old ones which have not been answered yet.

Washington Star.

These questions, as they have appeared,

Our college grads have met.

And no debating club has feared.

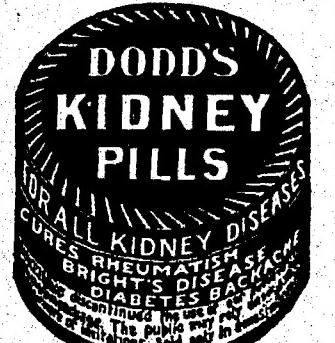
To tackle them, you bet!

System.

Railway Magnate—I don't see how the accident could have happened. We run our road on the block system.

Unreasonable Person—I know it.

You're so busy running out blocks of watered stock that you can't pay any attention to the way you run your trains.



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Ely's Cream Balm

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WORK OF CONGRESS

The Senate spent the entire day Tuesday considering the Indian appropriation bill. The army appropriation bill, carrying \$93,500,000, an increase of \$9,000,000 over the amount voted by the House, was reported and will be taken up as soon as the Indian bill is disposed of. The Senate committee amendments include \$1,372,227 for harbors and quarters, \$0,221,100 for promoting and extending the efficiency of the artillery corps, and a provision to exempt officers and men and their families from the provisions of the rate bill and allowing them to accept free or reduced rates of transportation. Senator H. Hubbard introduced a resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents on all lands and mining applications where the law is complied with and no protest is filed. Senator Knobell reported the copyright bill and Senator Snout gave notice of a minority report favoring the House provision giving manufacturers the right to adapt musical compositions to automatic musical instruments. General debate on the rivers and harbors appropriation bill was terminated in the House at 3 o'clock, when the reading of the bill was begun under the five-minute rule. The reading of twenty pages of the bill was completed before adjournment at night.

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"You've guessed it nearly right," responded the passenger with the bulging forehead. "All the money I have is tied up in a woolen mill."

NO RELIEF FROM ECZEMA

For Over Two Years—Patent Medicines, Quack Cures, and Even Doctors Fail—Cuteara Succeeds.

"I was very badly afflicted with eczema for more than two years. The parts affected were my limbs, below the knees. I tried all the physicians in the town and some in the surrounding towns, and I also tried all the patent remedies that I heard of, besides all the cures advised by o.d. women and quacks, and found no relief whatever until I commenced using the Cuteara Soap, Cuteara Ointment, and Cuteara Resolvent. In the Cuteara Itemedies I found immediate relief, and was soon sound and well. C. V. Feltz, Tippecanoe, Ind., Nov. 15, 1905."

In Case of Fire.

A German town man was talking about the famous Dr. Henry Van Dyke, of Princeton.

"When Van Dyke was a little chap," he said, "I went to school with him."

"One day, before school closed for the Christmas holidays, we expected a visit from a certain director. This director always questioned the children about one thing—namely, what they'd do in case of fire. So the teacher couched us all the morning before he came, preparing us finely on the course to be taken if fire should break out."

"Well, sure enough, the director called, but when he got up to address us, he said:

"It is good to be here at this jolly Christmas season among so many smiling young faces. You are a very bright-looking lot of children, and I wonder what you would do now if I were to make you a little speech on the best way to celebrate Christmas."

"Quick as a flash young Van Dyke piped out:

"Form in single file and march out quickly."

Of Interest to Women.

Every woman naturally should be healthy and strong, but a great many women, unfortunately, are not, owing to the unnatural condition of the lives we lead. Headache, backache and a general tired condition are prevalent amongst the women of to-day, and to relieve these conditions women rush to the druggists for a bottle or some preparation supposed to be particularly for them, and containing largely kola which the druggists would just get a box of Webster's Pills, and take them regularly every night for some time, all their trouble would disappear, as these pills regulate the organs of the feminine system. The same dose has the same effect, no matter how long they are used.

Webster's Pills have been in use for over a century and are sold in every drugstore, plain or sugar-coated.

Only One Objection to a Maxim.

Some said that "life would be tolerable if it were not for its amusements." Many people give most cordial assent to this dictum. No objection can justly be made to it, except that it is not true.

The credentials of Jonathan Bourne, Jr., elected to the Senate for Oregon for six years beginning March 4 next, were received in the Senate and placed on file.

Representative John Sharp Williams of Mississippi introduced a bill in the House for an investigation by the Department of Commerce and Labor of the so-called "paper trust."

By a vote of 75 to 135 the House in committee of the whole on the agricultural appropriation bill increased the amount appropriated for the Bureau of Entomology from \$75,000 to \$118,800.

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"When I was a boy of sixteen," says Mr. Otto H. Rose, a retired grocer, of 1226 Lexington Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind., "I met with a serious accident which injured the bone of my head over the right eye. I recovered from the accident to all appearances, but not many years after I began to have intense pains in the injured bone, which came on every year and would last from a few days to several weeks.

"I consulted the doctors who told me that I was suffering from neuralgia. The sight of my right eye was affected, so that at times I could scarcely see out of it, while both eyes watered constantly. During these attacks I was often dizzy from the terrible pains. The pains came on every morning and passed away in the afternoon. I never suffered from the pain at night."

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, FEB. 14.

A Dispatch to the New York World under date of Dover, Delaware, follows: "By a vote of twenty-six to eight the House today passed the bill presented by Representative Holcomb of Newcastle, providing that a surgical operation shall be performed on all men convicted of attempting to assault women in Delaware. It must be performed within twenty days after conviction and will be in addition to the existing imprisonment sentence of twenty years. The opponents of the measure contend that the proposed punishment is cruel. The bill now goes to the senate. The additional punishment is the most drastic ever proposed in Delaware. The plan, which has many supporters in both political parties, is an outcome of recent attempted assaults on white women throughout Delaware by negroes."

The Wall Street Journal says that E. H. Harriman is, perhaps, the most powerful individual in the United States not even excepting the president. The Journal explains: "His power is absolute over about 15,000 miles of railroad having a capitalization of about \$1,000,000,000. His authority is very large over 13,000 additional miles of road having a capitalization of \$1,200,000,000, while he has a potent voice in the management of 38,000 miles of road having a capitalization of \$1,600,000,000. Thus directly and indirectly his power extends over one-third of the railroad-transportation interest of the United States, and of a very considerable part of this he is an autocrat, and by reason of his autocratic powers over the Union Pacific, and especially his unrestricted power over its finances, his influence over the remaining portion, as well as over the financial markets, is increased." This is altogether too much power for one man to possess in a republic.

Hunting for Trouble.

"I've lived in California 20 years, and am still hunting for trouble in the way of burns, sores, wounds, boils, cuts, sprains, or a case of piles that Bucklin's Arnica Salve won't quickly cure," writes Charles Walter, of Alleghany, Sierra Co. No use hunting, Mr. Walter; it cures every case. Guaranteed at L. Fournier's drug store. Price 25c.

Visit the School.

How many of our school children's parents ever visit the schools or even know the teachers when they meet them on the street? How many know what their children are studying, or how they are progressing? Is there any of you who have a building to make or a fence to build; a dress to make; a house to paint, or whatever the job may be, that say to the one you have employed: "Here are the tools and material, go ahead and do it to suit yourself, and it will suit me?" Is not that what many of you are doing with your children? You say by your actions: "Here is my child, with his books, paper and pencil, I've furnished material and tools, educate him as you like." Now we hear some one say: "The teacher knows better what they ought to study than I do." While that may be in part true, the carpenter or a dressmaker, or a painter, knows better how to do, yet you do not leave it all to them. On the rising generation, patrons and parents, take more interest in our schools and visit them often, and by your presence give the teachers more encouragement; ask them how your children are doing. Perhaps a few minutes talk with them will save trouble that years to come can never undo. Think about this and ask yourself if you are doing right.

Frederic Freaks.

How is your cold?

Miss Hellen Smith is home from Bay City.

Mrs. Wm. Coombs is on the sick list. Born—To Mr. and Mrs. John Waltz, Feb. 1st, a son.

Mrs. Charles Sullivan is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Vincent, at Lewiston.

While walking across the ice on the river, George Collins dropped through only getting a little wet. Great care was taken to prevent his taking cold.

The Epworth League gave their experience social last Friday evening, Feb. 8th.

Mr. R. Edmons moved his family out by Chris Johnson's camp.

Miss Mary Callahan is on the sick list.

Mr. Fred Murray now occupies the old Spencer house.

Mrs. Dr. O'Neil is entertaining her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Murray from Richmondville.

Get your dinner at the opera house Feb. 22.

The Quarterly meeting will be held at the church two weeks from Saturday.

John Brady Jr. and Miss Sadie Bartlett were married at West Branch last week.

Mrs. Sullivan of Vanderbilt, was visiting her father, Mr. John Brady Sr. and sister Mrs. B. J. Callahan.

Mr. and Mrs. Horner returned south Monday.

A box social next Thursday evening for the benefit of J. Wallace, who returned from the hospital at Detroit last week.

A home without books, periodicals and newspapers, is like a house without windows.

NO ALUM IN FOOD

In England and France the Sale of Alum Baking Powder is prohibited by law because of the injurious effects that follow its use.

The law in the District of Columbia also prohibits Alum in food.

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ROYAL is made from Absolutely pure Cream of Tartar,—a pure Grape product. Aids digestion—adds to the healthfulness of food.

Program of Band Concert.

Ed. G. Clark, Band Master.

Friday, February 15, 1907.

Part First.

- Overture, 'Fra Diavolo' M. C. Meyrelles
- Song, Selected Prof. Clark
- Mandolin Solo Prof. Grawn
- Orchestra Acomp.

- Violin Duet Prof. Clark and Miss Agnes Hanson
- Selection, 'Prince of Pilsen' G. Luders
- Citizens Band.

Part Second.

- Song, Selected Miss Lalye Ohlson
- Bell Solo 'In Dear Old Georgia' Orchestra Acomp.
- 'Bon Amies' Duet for Cornet and Trombone
- Solo, 'Mocking Bird' Prof. Clark and Miss Agnes Hanson
- Grand National Medley F. H. Losey

Piano Solo by Miss Evie Elhart.

The piano used at this concert is a Grinnell Bros. Grand Concert Upright, furnished by their agent T. C. Simon.

Miss Gladys Hadley, Pianist.

Round-up Farmers' Institutes,

Association will have its annual meeting at Ionia on February 27, and is arranging for the largest and best corn show ever held in the state. The prizes offered will be worth nearly \$500.00. For a list of the premiums and rules relating to the exhibit, address O. E. Young, Care Michigan Farmer, Detroit, or L. R. Taft, Agricultural College.

A Letter from Washington.

The following letter from one old townsmen, Chas. E. Marvin will be read with interest by his many friends as its tone indicates success.

Pasco, Wash.,

Feb. 3rd, 1907.

Editor AVALANCHE,

Grayling, Mich.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed find one dollar (\$1.00) for which please send me the AVALANCHE another year and change the address to Pasco.

Pasco has been building all winter. There are several residences being built and two or three brick buildings will be started as soon as the weather will permit and the contract has been let for one of them.

The N. P. Ry. are constructing a new and commodious depot and are building a 500 ft. addition to their ice house, which is 600 ft. long now, making the building, when completed nearly a quarter of a mile long.

The R. R. Co. are so slow about handling our cars that we find it a difficult matter to get lumber enough to supply the demand.

We have had some cold weather, the mercury dropping to 10° below on the 15th of Jan. and 2° below on the 18th.

Except those two days it has not been below zero, and one day it was 50° in the shade at noon, but the average temperature for January has been about 22°.

Yours truly,
CHAS. E. MARVIN.

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Laxative Iron-Ox. Tincture is
good for children's bowel. Chocolate
coated tablets, easy to take.
Never gives or stimulates. No, side
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Now is the time to
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We will sell every overcoat we have in stock
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Mens' Rubbers at Cost.

Mens' and Childrens' Suits at Cost.

Mens' \$1.00 Caps	75c
Mens' 75c Caps	50c
Mens' 50c Caps	35c

We must make room for our new spring goods. We will sell every winter garment, we have in the store at reduced prices.

We have a few Ladies' Furs left that we will sell at 1-2 prices.

Come and examine these prices. It will cost you nothing to look.

A. KRAUS & SON,
Leading One Price Store,

A tumbldown, weather-beaten barn is a disgrace to the farm, and there is no excuse for it. It detracts from the value of your holdings and is just as much money thrown away.

Your good right hand, a good brush,

and a few coats of paint will do the work.

Paints are now on hand.

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Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, FEB. 14

Local and Neighborhood News.

Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year IN ADVANCE. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

READER!

Please look at the date after the address on this paper, and see if it is followed by a X. If so, your subscription is due, unless I have made a mistake in my book keeping. If I have, please notify me at once. If I am right send me your dollar. It will not be much to you, but \$800 of them will be a lot to me and will make my creditors happy. Do not put it off, but do it NOW.

Band Concert tomorrow evening.

Remember the Band Concert tomorrow evening.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. John Stephen, Feb. 4, a son.

A good new milch cow for sale. Enquire at this office.

Go to C. J. Hathaway for scientific optical work. Eyes examined free.

Highest market price paid for hides. PYM BROS.

25 lb. pails of International Stock Food \$3.00 at Fournier's Drug Store.

One-fourth off on all Ladies' Muslin Underwear and Skirts, for thirty days at S. H. & Co's store.

Fine watch repairing done at Hathaway's.

Yesterday was almost like a June day, the mercury registering above 40°, and bright sunshine.

Mrs. John Fanna of Beaver Creek is on the invalid list for the last three weeks. LaGrippe.

Don't miss the Band Concert tomorrow evening, an 80-piece program has been selected.

FOR SALE—Household furniture as good as new. Enquire of Mrs. Fred Hoessl jr.

A few Garrison steaks left, light and heavy. Price low to those that buy. O. PALMER.

Sunday was a blizzardy day, drifting the snow badly, the worst of the season.

Cold Breakers will cure your cold try it. For sale at Fournier's Drug Store.

Look up our subscription offers, and arrange for your next years reading at once.

O. Palmer is attending the winter meeting of the Michigan Press Association this week.

Fresh butter and eggs just received from the country.

H. PETERSEN.

FOR SALE—A new milch Jersey cow with her calf. Price \$50.00. Inquire at this office.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the AVAVALANCHE office.

To our advance paid subscribers we will send the New York Tribune Farmer for 50 cents. Regular price \$1.00 and worth five to any progressive farmer.

Mrs. Louise B. Niles and Master Arthur came home from their school near Waters Friday evening, and returned through the snow drifts Monday morning.

John Balf, who was sentenced from 1 to 5 years in Marquette at the last September term, for placing obstructions on the R. R. track near Cheney, has been transferred to the Prison for Criminal Insane at Ionia.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A large dwelling house on the south side near the flooring mill, in fine condition. Seven rooms. Come quick if you want a bargain.

Feb 14-2w PAUL MILLER.

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Probate Judge Batterson is taking a vacation in Jackson. It is not in the stone building in the city, but visiting with old friends about the old home.

I. H. Richardson of South Branch is home from the sunny south. He finds a difference in the temperature, but likes it. His brother F. P. is not recovering from his illness as hoped.

If you want a Dinner Set absolutely free, call at the store of Salling, Hanson and Company.

A surprise party was held at the home of Miss Johanna Hanson, Sorenson's bookkeeper, last Thursday evening, and a jolly good time enjoyed by the happy crowd.

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Methodist Church.

Preaching by the pastor at 10:30 a. m.

Sunday school and Epworth League at the usual hours.

In the evening the pastor Rev. E. W. Fraze will give the last lecture in the series of patriotic lectures on "Our Three Great Americans." Subject:—William McKinley. Where this lecture has been given on a weeknight as a paid lecture, the G. A. R. Post and Spanish war veterans, have been admitted free and given reserved seats. When given in Saginaw the late Ex-Governor Bias sat with the members of the Post in the front seats. Royal Arch Masons and other members of the Fraternity find special interest in the deliberations.

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Sabbath, Feb. 17th.

10:30 a. m. Preaching.

The pastor will preach a five minute sermon every Sunday Morning to the children.

11:30 a. m. Sabbath School.

6 p. m. C. E. Meeting. Topic:—"An easy life versus a hard one." Mrs. Colter is the leader.

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All are cordially invited to attend these meetings.

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Coming Feb. 19th. Old Plantation Quartet. The High School was disappointed in not being able to get the fifth number on the course last spring but have booked the "Old Plantation Quartet" at a higher price. They come highly recommended and it is hoped that they will please our people.

Neighbors got Fooled.

"I was literally coughing myself to death, and had become too weak to leave my bed; and neighbors predicted that I would never leave it alive; but they got fooled, for the thanks be to God, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery. It took just four one dollar bottles to completely cure the cough and

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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

BOMB KILLS JUSTICE.

ASSASSINATION OF A CONSCIENTIOUS OFFICIAL.

Motive of Sender of Fatal Package
Believed to Be Revenge for Prosecution of Criminals—Athlete Loses Life by Wager.

Robert Cortese, a justice of the peace in Paterson, N. J., who has actively aided the police in the capture of Italian lawbreakers, was fatally wounded in his office by the explosion of an infernal machine sent to him by express. He died at midnight. Justice Cortese was 48 years old and of Italian descent. He had been home to supper. While he was there his son Robert, who was in charge of the office, received the infernal machine, which came from Newark and was delivered by an American Express wagon. It had been prepaid and the boy accepted it and signed the receipt book. When Judge Cortese reached the office Robert handed the package to him. The outside wrapper was of paper tied with strong twine. Judge Cortese removed this paper. Inside was another wrapping of paper made fast with a strap, such as boys use to put around school books. Robert says he was watching curiously to see what the little box contained. Its father rested the package on the desk and pulled the end of the strap toward him, so as to loosen the tongue of the buckle. The moment he did so there was the explosion. A hole six feet square was torn in the floor and the desk was driven down into the cellar and torn to pieces. The boy was hurled into a corner and seriously bruised and burned. Judge Cortese was found lying between the doorway and the hole in the floor. Both legs and arms were broken; his face and body were torn and lacerated and his back apparently broken. Some of the flesh was torn from the bones. He was removed to St. Joseph's hospital, where his ante-mortem statement was secured. From the fact that the greatest force of the explosion was directed downward it is believed the infernal machine was filled with dynamite.

WINS WAGER BUT LOSES LIFE.

Man Stands on His Head 20 Minutes and Dies as Result.

Harry Stillson, an athletic young man from Atkinson, King, made a wager in St. Joseph, Mo., that he could stand upon his head for twenty minutes, most of the time without the aid or support of his hands. The bet was successfully performed, but the wager cost him his life. The next morning Stillson became unconscious, and the combined work of the physicians of the best hospitals in the city was unable to relieve congestion of the brain.

HERO RESCUED BY CHICAGOANS.

Saves Engineer Who Stuck to Post When Locomotive Left Rail.

Refusing to leave his post at the throttle of his engine, Louis Wisman was buried under its wreckage and seriously injured, when the locomotive and the first two coaches of the Pacific Express on the Wahash left the rails at Forsythe Junction, Mo. George S. Flaney and M. E. Pugh, both of Chicago, who were among the passengers, were the first to reach the engine and with difficulty rescued Wisman from under the wreckage.

Wannamaker Home Burned.

Lynhurst, the handsome country home of former Postmaster General John Wanamaker at Shelter Hills, near Jenkintown, Pa., was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss estimated at \$1,500,000. Mr. Wanamaker's home was considered one of the most artistic and valuable of Philadelphia suburban properties.

Burglars Get Old Coins.

Burglars forced their way into the public library in Omaha and railed the valuable Byron Reed collection of many high-priced coins. The Byron Reed collection is the most valuable in the West. The watchmen was surprised, bound and gagged. The loss has not yet been ascertained.

Greatest Dry Dock to Be Built.

The largest dry dock in the world, with a stone and concrete basin big enough to hold any two of the battleships of the United States navy at one time is about to be constructed at Hunter's point by the San Francisco Dry Dock Company at a cost of \$1,250,000.

Rain Comes to Arid Region.

Rain in the hitherto arid West is thought to be due to the filling up of the Salton Sea, and as a result the Legislatures of Utah and other Western States are preparing to petition the President not to check the flow of the Colorado River into the great accidental lake.

Killed in Fight Over Cards.

A fight over a game of cards played in the rear room of a saloon at Hibbing, Minn., resulted in the killing of Mike Rubovin, an Austrian, by John Bosic, his fellow countryman. Rubovin is said to have stabbed Bosic with a knife, whereupon the latter shot and killed him.

Water Walker Wins Wager.

By walking 1,000 miles, from Cincinnati to New Orleans, on the water, a man won a \$5,000 wager, arriving at the end of his journey forty-five minutes before the time limit of forty days expired.

Five Cancer Patients in School.

Fire in the Clarke public school building in Mobile, Ala., caused the 300 pupils to flee in a panic. So far as known all the pupils escaped.

Five Shoots Off Impaled Miners.

Seven miners are entombed in a colliery of the Lohig and Wilkesboro Coal Company at Wanamaker, Pa., and there is little hope of rescuing any of them, as fire broke out on the fourth lift of the shaft and the entombed men, who were caught in the lower lifts, cannot be reached until the flames are extinguished.

Kaiser Will Visit Alfonso.

Kaiser Wilhelm, it is stated, is planning a visit to King Alfonso, to return the recent visit to Germany by the Spanish king. The Kaiser will go about the end of March, sailing on the imperial yacht Hohenzollern for a Spanish port.

Cars Run Wild; Twenty Hurt.

A Cleveland and Pittsburgh railroad work train engine, running at high speed, separated from a car containing twenty laborers at Mingo Junction, Ohio. The engine stopped short and the car, crashing into it, was thrown over an embankment. Nearly all the men were injured.

TRAIN HITS ELEVATOR.

Chicago Great Western Express Smashes Big Structure.

With three persons dead and twenty-five injured in the wreck of train No. 5, known as the "Evening Express," when it crashed into a grain elevator at German Valley, Ill., ninety-six miles from Chicago, and was almost completely buried in the deluge of golden grain, train No. 2, carrying many of the injured to Chicago hospitals, crashed into a horse and buggy in charge of Mrs. Anna Zeigler, at North Glen Ellyn. The horse was instantly killed, the buggy demolished, while Mrs. Zeigler suffered fatal injuries. She was carried aboard the train and placed among the sufferers being hurried to Chicago. The wreck occurred in the early morning when train No. 5 was speeding at a rate of sixty miles an hour, with nearly every one board asleep. Ninety-six miles from Chicago it jumped the track and crashed into a grain elevator. The side of the huge building was literally ripped out and the grain poured downward, burying the wrecked cars. The dead include: Martin Cline, engineer; two mail clerks and an unidentified woman passenger. Several railroad employees in the baggage and mail cars were reported missing. They are believed to be buried under the thousands of pounds of grain which descended when the grain which descent EFAOIN — J the train crushed in the side of the elevator. The primary cause of the disaster was a wrecked freight car that stood on the main track. When the "Evening Express" reached the station ten miles to the east of German Valley the crew received orders to pass the wrecked freight car by taking a switch at a siding a hundred yards to the east. When No. 5 reached the switch, it is declared, it was running at high rate of speed. Instead of passing on to the siding the big engine jumped the tracks, crashing into the grain elevator.

OPENS RULER'S EYES.

EASTERN POTENTATE ASTONISHED BY UNITED STATES.

Aga Khan Is Highly Pleased, After Having Heard Country Disparaged by Traveling Americans—Rogue Confesses Before Woman on Jury.

Aga Khan, an Indian potentate, whose title is Sultan Mahomed Shah, head of the Ismaili Mohammedans, sailed for England the other day after a tour of this country spent in studying economics. The aga said before sailing that he had been rather surprised at the wonderful things he had seen on this side of the Atlantic, because the Americans he met abroad had spoken disparagingly of their country. "This country has been a source of great interest and delight to me," said he. "Those who speak against it do a great injustice, for it is a place of great possibilities and boundless resources." He declared that the free competition and freedom from interior taxes impressed him very much. "I always understood that free competition," he said, "resulted in great wealth and great poverty. Here I have seen much wealth, but have seen very little poverty." Aga Khan is said to be the ruler of 2,000,000 Mohammedans.

KILLED IN BOSTON FIRE.

Department Store and Tenements Burn and One Death Results.

One man was killed and at least thirteen others were injured in a fire that destroyed the block occupied by the Hunt Brothers' department store, several tenements in Tremont street, in the Roxbury Crossing district of Boston, and caused a property loss upward of \$100,000. Jacob Gold was overcome by smoke and died before medical assistance could reach him. Two of the injured persons were taken to the city hospital in a critical condition. They are Mrs. Kate Glass and her baby, only two days old. The fire department was hampered in reaching the scene by the huge snowdrifts that blocked the city streets. Many thrilling rescues were made by police, firemen and members of the Shawmut Athletic Club, which was holding a meeting in the block at the time the flames were discovered. The blaze started in the department store, which occupied the first floor of the brick and wooden block that runs from Tremont street back to Columbus avenue. On the Tremont street side of the building the tenements were occupied by twenty families of about 120 persons.

GIRLS BRANDIED WITH ACID.

Alpha Gamma Tau Initiates May Be Marked for Life.

The calling of the family physician to treat Miss Hazel Reizner in Indianapolis for burns received in initiation into the Alpha Gamma Tau society has developed the fact that three of the initiated may be branded for life, because of the acid used by their fellow high school pupils. It appears that the candidates each were told to hold out their hands and those in charge of the initiation used a brush saturated with acid to mark A. G. T. on the backs of their hands. A bracelet also was burned about the wrist of the candidates. The letters A. G. T. on the back of the hands of Miss Reizner caused so much concern that a doctor was called in. Since then the girl has been under the care of a physician. Bertha Hoffman, another victim of the initiation, was painfully burned, but there is hope in her case that no permanent scars will be left. The acid used on her was slightly diluted after being used on Miss Reizner. Lillian Kern may bear the marks of the acid as long as she lives. Her burns are worse than those of Miss Reizner. It was learned from one of the physicians that the branding was about to be applied to the foreheads of the girls during the initiation, but because of objections raised the acid was applied to the hands and wrists.

TEN DIE IN SHIPWRECK.

Schooner Driven Ashore off Cape Hatteras Goes to Pieces.

A dispute from Cape Hatteras says the schooner which went ashore on Diamond shoals on a recent night has gone to pieces. No trace of the vessel could be seen and the crew in all probability had perished. The wind continued high, with a very rough sea all night, and there was no possibility of the life-saving crew reaching the schooner. Nothing is known as to its identity. There seems to be no doubt whatever of the death of the ten or twelve persons who were seen clinging to the rigging of the ship frantically displaying signals of distress, but whose rescue by the life-savers was prevented by the terrific storm and mountainous seas.

EVELYN NESBIT THAW.

MRS. THAW THE WOMAN IN THE LIMELIGHT, AND MRS. WHITE THE STRICKEN WIDOW, WHO HIDES HER SORROW FROM THE WORLD.

MRS. STANFORD WHITE.

COMMERICAL FINANCIAL CHICAGO.

Trade conditions in the Chicago district, according to the weekly review issued by R. G. Dun & Co., continue encouraging in spite of the snow blockade and other unfavorable factors. Continuing, the report says:

New demands for raw and heavy finished materials remain strong, with the average cost for supplies a trifle higher. More firmness appears in hides, leather and lumber, and their absorption is larger than a month ago.

Railroad extensions involve much buying of various materials for early use, and new plans for buildings, track elevation and other improvements exceed in amount those of a year ago. It is now certain that the pressure upon capacity is to become more extended in rails, pig iron and car building. The ship yards are unable to accept further orders for this year's delivery.

Distributive trade exhibits an expansion which would be of notable proportions were transportation facilities and weather better.

Increasing numbers of visiting buyers operate in spring and summer wares, orders exceeding those at this time last year in the textiles, boots and shoes, food products, men's furnishings, carpets and other household needs. Marketings of the principal grains show further increase, those of corn being doubled, and the general demand for breadstuffs and provisions is stronger.

Failures reported in the Chicago district numbered 25, against 26 last week and 32 a year ago.

NEW YORK.

First effects of the past week's widespread winter weather have been to dull trade at most markets, to quiet spring demand, retard collections and in sections accentuate the already congested railway situation. Some sections, particularly the South, report benefit to trade in winter goods and footwear.

Business failures in the United States for the week ending Feb. 7 number 103, against 211 last week, 204 in the like week of 1906, 207 in 1905, 202 in 1904 and 217 in 1903.

Failures reported for the week number 18, as against 26 last week and 27 in this week a year ago.

Whale, including flour exports from the United States and Canada for the week ending Feb. 7, aggregated \$3,319,339 bushels, against \$2,162,416 last week, \$2,113,329 this week last year, 987,775 in 1905 and 1,890,357 in 1902. For the past thirty-two weeks of the fiscal year, the exports are 103,428,173 bushels, against \$8,963,486 in 1905-06, 41,019,015 in 1904-05 and 17,140,188 in 1903-04. Corn exports for the week are 2,407,083 bushels, against 2,157,674 last week, 3,560,759 in 1905-06 and 3,418,550 in 1905. For the fiscal year to date the exports are 35,691,707 bushels, against 72,088,759 in 1905-06 and 35,492,101 in 1904-05.

Bradstreet's Commercial Report.

THE MARKETS

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$4.00 to \$7.50; hogs, prime heavy, \$4.00 to \$7.15; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.50; wheat, No. 2, 75c to 75c; corn, No. 2, 42c to 44c; oats, standard, 36c to 38c; rye, No. 2, 47c to 50c; hay, timothy, \$1.00 to \$1.75; prairie, \$0.90 to \$1.50; butter, choice creamery, 27c to 28c; eggs, fresh, 28c to 30c; potatoes, 33c to 48c.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$1.00 to \$6.50; hogs, choice heavy, \$1.00 to \$7.12; sheep, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$7.25; wheat, No. 2, 74c to 76c; corn, No. 2, white, 43c to 45c; oats, No. 2, 39c to 41c; rye, No. 2, 46c to 48c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$1.50 to \$6.75; hogs, \$4.00 to \$7.10; sheep, \$3.50 to \$7.50; wheat, No. 2, 77c to 79c; corn, No. 2, 43c to 44c; oats, No. 2, 39c to 41c; rye, No. 2, 46c to 48c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$5.75; hogs, \$4.00 to \$7.15; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.50; wheat, No. 2, 77c to 79c; corn, No. 2, mixed, 45c to 47c; oats, No. 2, 38c to 40c; rye, No. 2, 46c to 48c.

The Kansas Senate passed the bill to abolish capital punishment.

A bill to prevent the combination of fire insurance underwriters for the purpose of fixing rates arbitrarily was introduced in the New York Legislature.

The lower house of the Missouri Legislature passed a bill prohibiting the manufacture, sale or giving away of cigarettes or cigar paper under a penalty of a fine of \$50 to \$200.

Senator Littlepage of the West Virginia Legislature introduced a resolution to investigate Standard Oil operations in that State and ascertain whether the company has a lobby at the capital.

The Missouri House of Representatives Tuesday passed the anti-tipping bill, \$8 to \$9, making it a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$5 to \$500 to give a tip to any waiter, porter or other servant.

The lower house of the Tennessee Legislature has passed a bill making it obligatory for a judge, where a death sentence is returned with mitigating circumstances, to commute the sentence to life imprisonment.

The lower house of the Minnesota Legislature at St. Paul adopted a resolution directing the Speaker to appoint a committee to investigate the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce and the Duluth Board of Trade.

A bill was introduced in the Indiana Legislature to place a tax of \$5 annually on bachelors between 27 and 30 years old, \$7.50 between 30 and 40, and \$10 over 40 years, the money to be devoted to school fund.

The California Senate struck out the words "whereas the President of the United States is attempting to interfere" in its resolutions on the Japanese school question, and inserted instead "federal government," and then passed the resolutions denouncing such interference as unauthorized.

State Treasurer Berry of Pennsylvania in a report to the Legislature has renewed his charges that approximately \$5,000,000 was realized on the finishing of the new capitol. He says duplicate payments for the same work were made to different contractors to the amount of \$250,000 or more, and that specifications were ambiguously worded so as to prevent fair bidding.

Fire destroyed the wholesale establishments of Gus Monsen & Co., hardware, and Thomas & Co., safes, and slightly damaged the station of the Texas and Pacific railroad at El Paso, Texas. Loss \$100,000.

President James Norton of the Northeastern Metal Dealers' Association made public in New York a letter which he has sent to Attorney General Bonaparte, alleging that the copper trust has caused a shortage in metal.

BATTLE FOR THAW'S LIFE.

Wife of the Millionaire Prisoner Is Witness for Defense.

With the fact of Stanford White's murder by Harry Kendall Thaw established in their minds, with the murderer daily in their presence, self-possessed, unemotional, deeply interested in the movements of the machinery of law upon which his future so largely depends, dutiful and courteous to his mother, gracious to his wife, with the knowledge that the father of this prince of indolence and intemperance was a man of sufficient genius, industry and acumen to accumulate a fortune of \$40,000,000, that the mother has been for years a ruling spirit in the social, religious and philanthropic circles of Pittsburgh; that the daughters possessed sufficient attractiveness of mind as well as of purse to marry one an English earl, a venerable title and the other a man of large business responsibilities; and that the prisoner himself was deemed by the administrators of his father's estate capable of handling his inheritance—with these things before them, the twelve jurors who were to determine whether Thaw shall die for the murder which he committed are asked to believe not only that the accused was insane when he fired the fatal shots, but that the taint of insanity runs through the family.

Plainly, from the attorney's opening plea, the jurors are to believe that the client of derangement, the high tide of Thaw brain disturbance, was reached when White was slain, and that since then the mind of the prisoner has returned to normal conditions. There is no contention of present insanity. Such a preposterous claim, in view of the prisoner's attitude in court, might upset the whole defense, which is not directly a plea of justification for the act, but an ingenious scheme of argument and testimony intended not only to prove irresponsibility, but to absolve

NEWS OF MICHIGAN

ALGER ESTATE GOES TO FAMILY.

STATE SUES STEEL TRUST.

Widow and Five Children Bequeath All Property but \$20,000.
The will of the late Senator R. A. Alger, died in the Probate Court in Detroit, leaves all of his estate excepting \$20,000 to his widow and five children, R. A. Alger, Jr., Captain F. M. Alger, Mrs. Caroline A. Sheldon of Detroit, and Mrs. Fay A. Bailey and Mrs. Frances A. Pike of Chicago. Three local institutions are left a total of \$7,000—the House of the Friendless, \$2,000; Woman's Hospital, \$2,000, and Thompson Home for Aged Ladies, \$1,000. James C. McFall, associated for many years with the Senator in Alger Smith & Co., and one of the executors of the will, is left \$5,000, while \$10,000 is left to the Senator's brother, Charles M. Alger of Hamtramck, Mo. In addition any debts that may be due the estate from Charles M. Alger are canceled. Mrs. Alger is then given one-third of all the real and personal property and the residue equally divided among the five children. Mrs. Bailey is not to be given her portion of the estate until she is 65 years old, a local trust company holding it and paying her the income.

CAR WOOL INSTEAD OF HAIR.

Growth on Head of Boy So Bushy He Cannot Wear Hat.

Johnnie Reynolds, son of a Dearborn business man, is a curiosity in one respect. He has a head of wool, not of hair, and it is so big, the wool crop, that Johnnie never wears a hat. He cannot be had manufactured over turned out a "hat" for man or boy that would stretch around the circumference of Johnnie's wool. Aside from this fearful and wonderful topknot, Johnnie is a normal boy. He is bright, playful and healthy. He has one brother, older than himself, who has none of Johnnie's bushy eccentricity. It is said, though, that the lad's mother, in her early years, had just such a crop which later received a normal growth. Johnnie's "mat" is really wool most people will tell you after they try to run their fingers through it, and find them tangled up. It is blonde in color.

COLD KILLS THREE IN HOME.

Woman and Two Children Die from Weather and Gas.

A woman and two children were found frozen to death in an upstairs tenement in Grand Rapids, with a third child in an adjoining room half-frozen but still alive. The dead: Emma K. Livingston, aged 7; Lincoln J. Livingston, aged 3; Eddie, frozen; Helen Livingston, aged 10. Miss Jeanie Livingston called at the residence to pay a visit and found her sister, Miss Emma Livingston, and one child dead in bed, one child dead on the floor and Helen in the adjoining room seriously frozen. None of the family had been seen for three days. The children died with Miss Livingston, who was their aunt. It is supposed that after they retired the other night, they became partially asphyxiated by coal gas and the fire dying out were frozen to death. Helen has both hands and feet frozen.

TRIES TO DIE AFTER CRIME.

Italian Drinks Poison After Wounding Two Men.
Frank Monaco, an Italian who came to Roscommon recently from Chicago, died from a dose of poison taken with suicidal intent and Squire F. Decker is lying at the point of death with a bullet wound through his body as the result of an encounter between the two men. Henry Buleau, a spectator, was shot on the skin by one of Monaco's bullets which went wild. Monaco recently bought a farm from Decker and a dispute arose about his payments. When the two men met on the street hot words ensued and Monaco after firing three shots at Decker fled to his farm. Being a pharmacist, he prepared and swallowed a dose of poison.

COST OF LABOR INCREASES.

Average of Four Cents a Day Is Advance in One Year.

A census made by the State Labor Bureau of sixty-three different labor unions of the State represented by 529 local unions comprising 39,787 members, shows during the year ending July 1, 1906, there was an increase of 4,418 members. Union men were working an average of 9.2 hours per day at an average daily wage of \$2.45, which was an increase of 4 cents a day over the previous year. On account of strike benefits were paid of \$18,172. There were forty-eight strikes, twenty-four of which were successful. The aggregate amount paid out in sick benefit during the year was \$2,780, and in death benefits \$9,526.

INSANE FROM READING BIBLE.

Man Tried to Murder His Little Son Before Others Do So.
Because he thought the whole neighborhood was plotting to kill his 3-year-old son, John Wiereenga, a prominent young cigar grower of Muskegon, who has become insane through continual Bible reading admitted in Probate Court that he tried to murder his child. Wiereenga thought he could do a better job than the neighbors. Wiereenga was first apprehended for insanity when he made the attempt on the child's life and the little one was being held at arm's length while the father read the Scriptures and tightened his insane grip around the little one's throat. He was declared insane.

SHAKESPEARE PASSES AWAY.

Kalamazoo's Distinguished Citizen Succumbs After Long Illness.

Gen. William Shakespeare, for years one of Kalamazoo's leading financial, legal and business men, died at his home in that city. He was 63 years old. He had been ill for almost a year and for four months has been confined to his bed a greater part of the time. The direct cause of death was heart trouble, brought on by long suffering from wounds received in the Civil War.

GUILTY OF MURDERING GIRL.

Joseph Ehrlich, Jr., Sentenced for Killing with Scissors.

Joseph Ehrlich, Jr., aged 22, was convicted at Adrian of the murder of his former sweetheart, Leola Kelly, aged 23, and was sentenced to Jackson prison for life. Miss Kelly was found dead at her home Nov. 22, with a pair of scissors sticking into her heart shortly after she had written to Ehrlich breaking her engagement to marry him. The prisoner was a foundling adopted at the age of 14 months by Joseph Ehrlich and the defense failed to prove insanity.

Crucible Steel Co. Asked to Pay \$61,000 in Penalties.

Suit to collect a penalty of \$61,000 against a large foreign corporation was commenced by Attorney General Bird in Detroit, leaves all of his estate excepting \$20,000 to his widow and five children, R. A. Alger, Jr., Captain F. M. Alger, Mrs. Caroline A. Sheldon of Detroit, and Mrs. Fay A. Bailey and Mrs. Frances A. Pike of Chicago. Three local institutions are left a total of \$7,000—the House of the Friendless, \$2,000; Woman's Hospital, \$2,000, and Thompson Home for Aged Ladies, \$1,000. James C. McFall, associated for many years with the Senator in Alger Smith & Co., and one of the executors of the will, is left \$5,000, while \$10,000 is left to the Senator's brother, Charles M. Alger of Hamtramck, Mo. In addition any debts that may be due the estate from Charles M. Alger are canceled. Mrs. Alger is then given one-third of all the real and personal property and the residue equally divided among the five children. Mrs. Bailey is not to be given her portion of the estate until she is 65 years old, a local trust company holding it and paying her the income.

Car Wool Instead of Hair.

Gives Life for Brother.

William Fields Nurses Sick Man and Contracts Disease.

William Fields, a prominent farmer of Venice, died from pneumonia after an illness of but a few days. The case is a particularly sad one. Mr. Fields left his work to go to the home of his brother Robert Fields, in Caledonia, and cared for him during a severe attack of pneumonia. The brother's care saved Robert, and he is getting well. William contracted the dread disease and was unable to withstand the severe ravages.

Unlikely for Live Stock.

Eight horses, several cows and calves perished in a fire which destroyed the barn of John Gutekunst, a mile west of Dexter. A party, consisting of the unlucky number 13, went there from Ann Arbor on a sleigh ride. One of the men, named Whitney, was stowed away in the barn. While the party was engaged in playing cards the barn was suddenly enveloped in flames. Everything was destroyed. Whitney barely escaped.

Father Killed, Boy Hurt.

Daniel Buleau, aged 40, was instantly killed near Vanderbilt while working in the woods. A tree, which he fell, pinned him to the ground. He was released with difficulty. He leaves a widow and family. A pathetic incident was that his little son was brought home a few minutes before the body was brought in, having received a bad scalp wound while coasting.

Escapes Canned Meat.

Prominent poisoning came near causing the death of Mrs. Henry Howard, a resident of Port Huron. The woman partook freely of some canned meat. Prompt action saved her life.

Once Rich Dies in Poverty.

Loyal C. Kolberg, fifty years ago the wealthiest man in southern Michigan, died in poverty in Battle Creek. He once emulated the hour marquis of the United States.

Ashley Hotel Burns.

The Hotel Grinnell, recently completed in Ashley, was destroyed by fire, and William Thomas, the bartender, was suffocated in his room. The loss is \$10,000.

Hawthorne Falls Slim.

With a jackknife and a razor, James Hawn attempted suicide in Flint. His nerve failed and the wound in his throat was sewed up by a surgeon.

Within Our Borders.

Charles Morlock, aged 50, a resident of Hillsdale since 1874, took paroxysm green and died.

The epidemic of diphtheria that has been raging in Provoston is practically at an end.

Eight Albion Saloonists Plead Guilty of Violation of the Liquor Law When Their Cases Came Up in the Circuit Court.

With her lamp still burning and a paper bag in her lap, Mrs. Mary Erskine, 50 years old, was found dead in Alpena. Neighbors broke in the door.

The pumping station of the Grand Rapids Hydraulic Company was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$30,000 and 1,200 customers are left without water.

Several cases of alleged rabies have reported to the Lansing authorities. A small Spitz dog, after biting several animals, was dispatched by a citizen.

In Kalamazoo fire destroyed the A. H. Stulting clothing store and damaged the Benjamin Solomon cigar factory and J. L. Richmond meat market. The damage will reach \$20,000. The fire started in an overhanging furnace and was discovered by a police officer.

An Italian passenger on the Wabash train from Chicago became crazed with the fear that someone would rob him of his fortune of \$3,000, which he carried in a belt around his waist, and jumped from the train while it was running at full speed near Adrian.

Losing his hold on a sleigh on which he was steering a ride, Wesley Taylor, 10-year-old son of John Taylor of Midland, was run over. The sleigh was loaded with green shingle bolts and crushed the lad's hand and wrist so badly amputation will be necessary.

Palmer Bros' general store at Owosso was burned to the ground. The cause is unknown. The loss will run about \$12,000, and is partially covered by insurance.

Douglas Malloch, the "lumberman poet" of Chicago, former Muskegon newspaper man, was tendered a big reception by the Muskegon Women's Club and gave a reading of his poems.

At the Lansing Artificial Ice Co. plant a vein of soft water at a depth of 323 feet was struck. A six-inch artesian well was struck. The gusher is a valuable asset of the ice company.

Molten metal exploding in the foundry of John Dent in Midland struck the life of son and daughter of Mr. Dent, who were watching the pouring. Both children were severely burned.

Insurance Commissioner James V. Parker of Lansing declined to accept the position of secretary to the life insurance presidents' association of which Grover Cleveland recently was made president.

John Bamforth, charged with being a habitual drunkard, pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court in Monroe, and was sentenced to服 from six to twelve years at Ionia. It was the first case of its kind to be tried in the Monroe circuit.

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Taken Flight Into Senate.

Gov. Warner threw a bomb into the Senate Wednesday in the shape of a communication, which was read in executive session, relative to the reappointment of Dairy and Food Commissioner Bird. It was the first real echo of the recent senatorial fight, when the Governor, over his signature, protested against the election of Arthur Hill of Saginaw. In his communication the Governor stated that he had learned from the newspapers and other sources that an opposition had been worked up against Bird on the assumption that he was responsible for the Governor's action in the Hill matter. In very strong terms the Governor went on to declare that Bird had not influenced him in the slightest. To further emphasize his position the Governor stated in the communication that he had no apology to offer for his action. Then, as if to soften the sting, the communication went on to state that the Governor was most anxious to act in harmony with the Senate and that it was his wish to appoint men who would meet the approval of the Senators. Further, he stated that if any of his appointments were not satisfactory it was his wish that the Senators would take counsel with him.

Declares for Direct Vote.

Gov. Warner has declared in favor of election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people. He said: "The time is ripe for some legislation that will make political contests of every kind cleaner and one important step in that direction would be to provide for the nomination of United States Senators by the primary system upon the plan similar and upon the same day that candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Congressmen are nominated. There are, I believe, twelve states where such a provision exists. In time I believe United States Senators will be selected by the people themselves."

Not Much Work Done.

Said Gov. Warner the other day: "It has been stated that the work of the Legislature has not advanced as far as usual at this time. It should be remembered that during the first four or five weeks of any session not much important work is accomplished. I believe there is an opportunity at this session for good, wholesome legislation and there is a very general belief that the Legislature will fully meet the expectations of the people in this regard."

Dust Fathers the Bill.

Representative Dust has fathered a bill providing for the proposed constitutional convention, which has the endorsement of the first veterans' league, farmers clubs and agricultural leagues. It establishes a body of 132 members to be elected the same as State Senators and Representatives are elected. Candidates can have their names placed on the ticket by securing the endorsement of 200 voters. Delegates to the convention are allowed \$8 a day and mileage.

Town of 100 to Be City.

A so-called local bill passed the House Wednesday afternoon that ought to be framed. It provides for the incorporation of the city of Whittemore, Ioseco county, the reason assigned being that the people want to control the highway funds. The town has less than a hundred population and one street, so that the first ward will be on one side and the second ward on the other.

Keeps Pains Open Longer.

Practically all the townships in the vicinity of Detroit have bills in to change the hours for holding open the polling places on election day. At present most of them close at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, which prevents a large number of workingmen from voting and they want to conform to the hours provided for Detroit.

Smith to Finish Alger's Term.

Congressman William Alden Smith was on Tuesday afternoon elected by the Legislature to fill the unexpired term of Senator R. A. Alger, who died suddenly at his home at Washington a few days ago. Congressman Smith had already been elected as successor at the expiration of his term March 4.

For Exhibit at Jamestown.

Col. John Whitehead, commissioner of the Jamestown exposition, is here trying to get the State to make an exhibit, and Senator Charles Smith introduced a bill providing for a commission of five members and an appropriation of \$30,000.

Lord's Anti-Trust Bill.

Representative Lord introduced an anti-trust bill in the House, the immediate object of which is to prohibit discrimination between localities in prices of commodities for the purpose of destroying the business of a competitor.

Wants to Regulate Liquor Sales.

The village of Rochester wants authority from the Legislature to regulate the sale of liquor and the number of saloons within the village limits. Senator Seelye introduced the necessary bill.

Binding Twine Plant for Prison.

Gov. Warner has asked the Legislature to pass a law to establish at the State prison at Jackson a plant for the manufacture of binding twine.

Astronomical Grammar.

Some people claim the owl is wise. If that were really true, it would exclaim: "To wht, to whom?" And not, "To wht, to who?"—Catholic Standard and Times.

A Printer's Pranks.

"I have played many a practical joke on writers in my time," said the veteran compositor. "My last joke was on a bishop. Studying the Russian revolution, he wrote from Moscow to a church paper a descriptive letter that

"But I can write no more. The garrulous domes of the city beacon me, and I go."

"I," said the veteran, with a loud laugh, "made domes read 'James'."

Real Helmsman.

"Does your wife assist you in your work?" queried the horse reporter. "I work at your desk often."

"Yes," replied the self-confessed humorist. "She destroys all my wife and mother-in-law jokes."

No Excuse for It.

"Do you know," remarked Mrs. Wedderby, "that I never remember seeing a baldheaded tramp?"

"Of course you didn't; my dear," replied her husband. "Tramps are never married."



MICHIGAN LAWMAKERS

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Enough crazy things have been done in the Thaw case to make that insanity plea the favorite.

All the trust magnates' nightmares nowadays resemble the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Buy the Harrison Wagon.

The Best on Wheels.

For Sale and fully warranted by O. Palmer.

ABSORB THE POISON

PHYSICIAN TELLS OF QUALITIES OF "MADSTONES."

New Clay Pipe, Easily Procurable, as Good as Any—All Worthless When Venom Has Entered the Circulation.

Physicians are often asked whether there really is any virtue in what are called madstones. One of them, writing in the Medical Brief, declares that these stones are of value, but they would be of more value if their limits were understood.

"There is no particular variety of stone or substance which may be designated exclusively as the mad stone," he says. "I have seen many of them, so-called, and no two were of exactly the same composition, geologically considered.

"Madstones act on the same principle that a blotting paper does when absorbing ink, and there is nothing that makes a better one than baked pipe clay. A new clay pipe, procurable for one cent at nearly any store where tobacco is sold, can not be excelled by any madstone, no matter how great its reputation.

"The action can be clearly demonstrated by placing a common dry red brick in contact with the margin of a puddle of water and noticing what capillary attraction will accomplish. Therefore, to be efficient, the only necessity is for the stone to be porous and have strong adhesive and absorbent qualities. Nothing mysterious about it.

"I have seen several that appear to be concretions, either vesical, renal or bilary and were found in the bladder, kidney or liver of some animal—those taken from the deer, supposed to be the best.

"When a person is bitten by a rattle or dog supposed to be mad and the porous stone applied to the wound, the blotting paper action begins, and the blood, saliva from the mouth of the animal and whatever poison these fluids contain will naturally, by capillary attraction, be absorbed by and into the substance applied, no matter what name you may give it.

"The saying that if a stone sticks the wound is poisonous, and if it does not take hold there is no venom present, is untrue. If the stone is clean and dry it will adhere when moisture is within reach till it becomes saturated.

"For instance, a new red brick will absorb one pint of water. After the venom has been taken into the circulation the madstone is worthless; but as the victim it usually filled with whisky or alcohol at the same time the stone is being used the spirits may counteract the effect of the poison.

"I know of a stone which has a wide reputation, and makes a good living for the family owning it. They never let it go out of their sight, and when the victim can not be taken to the stone one member of the family can be hired to take the stone to the victim. In addition to traveling expenses they charge \$5 for the application and \$2 extra for each hour that the stone sticks.

"This stone is busy a large part of the time. Not long since the stone held to a man's leg for over one hundred hours, yet the man died. His life could have been saved if dependence had not been placed entirely in the stone."

Russia's Royalties.

During the hottest months of summer the Russian imperial family remove to the Cottage, a seaside palace, in the Alexander Park, at Peterhof, on the Gulf of Finland.

The Alexander palace is a long, low white building in the midst of a lovely park. Its beautiful private gardens are ablaze with flowers, and there are all sorts of surprises for the favored visitor. Here is a miniature fort, there different athletic apparatus, and a little cottage round it, where the small grand duchesses experiment in housekeeping and gardening. When they are tired of that sort of amusement they can enjoy motoring, riding or driving in the long wooded avenue which surround the palace, says Home Notes.

Inside the great hall at Peterhof there are fitted toboggan slides for bad weather; the palace is, indeed, a day house, and whatever cares the five children may have in the future, owing to their exalted position, their childhood is at any rate as happy and unspoiled as was that of their mother—little Princess "Sunny," as she is used to be called.

A FEELING OF CURIOSITY.

"I was asked to find out when you would pay this little account," said the collector, pleasantly.

"Really," answered the debtor, "I am unable to enlighten you. However, there is a soothsayer in the next block who throws a fit and reveals the future at 50 cents a throw."

"I've no money to waste," growled the collector.

"Just add the 50 cents to my account," continued the other, "for I have a curiosity on the point myself."

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Egbert—Well, that is the custom in this country too, when the married man happens to be in the company of another woman.—Yonkers States News.

MADE STRONG PLEA

IRISHMAN'S STORY SOFTENED HEART OF MAGISTRATE.

Recollection of Boyhood Days the Cause of Michael Dalton's Departure From the Straight and Narrow Path, He Averred.

When Michael Dalton, who said he lived at 423 East Sixteenth street, was arraigned in the Yorkville police court on charge of intoxication he begged Magistrate Breen to let him go "this once," says the New York Sun.

"I was only celebrating a trifle too much," he explained.

"If I remember rightly, you were here yesterday," remarked the court.

"Your honor's got a good memory," responded the prisoner.

"And you said yesterday that you were celebrating."

"That's right, too. It's the same celebration, but I've had enough. I met with some friends from Skohan, where I used to live when I came from the old country. Tim Hennessey was one of them, and he reminded me of the time old Hollister's bull kept me up the tree, and, bedad! I had to take a few to forget it."

"I was after apples in Hollister's orchard one afternoon, and Hennessey and O'Toole were with me. We went over the stone wall and I climbed a tree and shook down the finest apples in the orchard, while the other two filled a bag with them. Old Hollister was that stingy he wouldn't give an apple to any one. The bag was nearly full when my friends made a run for the stone wall and got over it as though the divile was after them. I didn't know what was up until I seen Hollister's brindle bull come tearing down under the tree."

"Then I remembered that the farmer kept the bull instead of a dog to watch the orchard, and it showed his good sense. The bull looked up at me as I started to get down, and there was something in his look that made me stay where I was. I waited for him to go, and he waited for me to come down. O'Toole and Hennessey, on the other side of the wall, tried to coax and to drive the beast away, but not one inch would he stir from under the tree."

"When night came the vagabond was still there and waiting for me, but it was as much as my life was worth to face him. So I had to stay in the tree. I had been out to a dance the night before, and my eyes were heavy with sleep.

"I was afeared to go to sleep in the tree, for I might tumble down, and the beast 'ud get me. But sorra the bit could I stay awake, so I took my suspenders and tied myself to the tree, so that I wouldn't fall."

The bull was still there when I woke up in the morning, and was likely to stay there until Hollister called him off, if it wasn't for my friends. They came to the orchard early in the morning with a bulldog and around his neck was a red cloth. They put the log in the orchard to coax the bull away, but sorra a foot would he stir from the tree."

The dog thought the bull was afraid so he goes up and nips him on the heels. That made the big beast mad and he chased the dog a small bit.

"That was my chance for salvation, I thought, and I took it. Jumping from the tree I ran for the wall. The bull saw me and came after me, the log after him. How I got over the wall, ahead of the horns was more han I could do to-day, but over I got in time."

"It was the memory of those lively times that made Hennessey and me self take a few extra drinks."

The magistrate let him go again.

Prodigal Up to Date.

A well known contractor of a town not far from Boston has a son, still under 20, who has been running away from home ever since he attained his twelfth year. The father has many times been called upon to fetch the young lad back from remote points, and none of the hard luck proposition the boy has faced has taught him a permanent lesson, probably for the reason that he has always found it too easy a matter to get home by simply telephoning his father for the price of a ticket.

He went away again two months ago, and his father didn't hear from him until recently, when the contractor got a dispatch dated Hastings, Neb. The message ran:

"Am on the hog. Wire me \$79 for a ticket home. Joe."

The desperate father went to the telephone office, got a blank, and wrote this concise reply:

"Eat the hog."

Refused to Wither Away.

Miss Ascan—Jack Hanson isn't fat, is he?

Miss Newitt—Not at all; he's quite graceful and muscular. Why?

Miss Ascan—I happened to mention to Miss Jitter and she said: "Oh, he's not disquietingly stout."

Miss Newitt—Ah, yes. She rejected him some weeks ago and she's mad because he didn't pine away.

Why He Quit Preaching.

I heard a couple of negro women talking on a car in an amusing manner.

"Whahbouts is yo' son, Albert, now?" asked one.

"He's doin' fine," was the reply.

"He still preachin'?"

"No indeed, replied the other. He done quit preachin' en went to bantin'. Dey's mo' money in it."—Denver Post.

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